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REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC Military Information from St. Poelten and Camp Spratzern

EVALUATION [REDACTED]

PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

DATE OF CONTENT 30 June 1952

DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

DATE PREPARED 30 September 1952

REFERENCES

PAGES 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

DO NOT CIRCULATE

St. Poelten

1. On 30 June 1952, vehicles observed in St. Poelten (049/1 00) included 6 trucks in the garages, and 12 trucks, 1 tank truck and 2 jeeps standing at the Franz Sauer Kaserne. Vehicles identified in traffic included trucks

with all drivers wearing red-bordered black epaulets; and jeep [REDACTED] with a driver who wore black-bordered black epaulets. A colonel wearing black-bordered red epaulets left the Kommandatura. Two lieutenant colonels wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia left the former Altersheim (Home for aged people) on Franz Sauer Strasse. They rode in jeep [REDACTED]. Three majors wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia and two majors with black-bordered black epaulets were also seen at the former Altersheim. Truck [REDACTED] carrying ration supply boxes left St. Poelten toward Camp Spratzern. The driver wore black-bordered red epaulets. Local residents stated that troops had not yet left for summer exercises.

Camp Spratzern

2. On 30 June, vehicles observed at Camp Spratzern south of St. Poelten included 4 tanks, probably of model T-34, 1 half-track motor vehicle, armored personnel carrier no 125, 4 trucks and 1 sedan. Imprints of tracks led from the railroad station to the camp. Trucks [REDACTED] all driven by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets, hauled straw mattresses and billeting equipment from the installation to the railroad station, where the material was loaded on two flatcars. There was no other assembling of railroad cars. *

* [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] belong to the 150th Gds Tank Bn Regt of the 95th Gds Pz Rifle Div. The personnel carrier observed indicates that a motorcycle rifle battalion may be stationed at Camp Spratzern.